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LOK SABHA

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ESTABLISHMENT OF SAINIK NIGAM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government, alongwith various State Governments, is contemplating to establish a separate Sainik Nigam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a system at the State level for effective implementation of various schemes of the Union Government for the benefit of Ex-Servicemen, War-widows and their families;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) to (e): For effective implementation of various schemes of the Union Government for the benefit of Ex-servicemen, widows and their families, there are 32 Rajya Sainik Boards (RSBs) and 355 Zila Sainik Boards (ZSBs) at the State and district level respectively throughout the country. These Boards function under the Department of Sainik Welfare of the respective State. Constant efforts are being made at the Central and State level to revitalize these Sainik Boards so that the schemes for welfare of ex-servicemen could be implemented more efficiently.